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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In application of

Hideki MASUBUCHI, et al.

Docket No: Q65000

Appln. No.: 09/869,967

Group Art Unit: 1733

Confirmation No.: 4248

Examiner: Justin R. FISCHER

Filed: July 10, 2001

For: STEEL CORD FOR THE REINFORCEMENT OF A RUBBER ARTICLE AND TIRE

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of two months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of February 20, 2003 to July 20, 2003¹.

A check for the statutory fee of \$410.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date: July 21, 2003

¹ Since July 20, 2003 fell on a Sunday, the filing of this petition is timely.